Welcome back Red Raiders and welcome new Red Raiders. It is a privilege for all of us to be a part of the tradition of Texas Tech University Athletics. It is our job to represent this University in a respectful and professional manner at all times.

All team members are expected to read, follow, and adhere to the Texas Tech University Honor Code, the Student-Athlete Code of Conduct, and the policies and procedures that will be distributed to each Texas Tech Student Athlete. In addition, every member of the Tennis Team must follow the team rules below. These rules are not exclusive and the coaching staff reserves the right to expand, add to, or adjust these rules at any time.

**ACADEMICS**

1. Class attendance is mandatory. Due to our travel schedule **NO ONE** can afford to miss more class than we **have** to miss. Missed classes will incur sanctions and dismissals from the team.
2. You are responsible for letting your professors know about missed classes due to athletics. You must make contact with your professors by the 2nd week of class. It is important to show them your concern/interest in their class.
3. Missing a tutoring session, without going through the correct cancellation procedure will be treated as a missed class, each situation will be handled on its own accord.
4. I will be held to a gpa standard of 2.5, I understand that dropping below this could result in loss of playing time and possible dismissal from the team.

**TUTORING**

Tutoring will be mandatory for **all freshman** and **all returnees who have earned** less than a 3.0 GPA for the previous semester.

- Freshmen will attend 4 hours of mandatory tutoring a week.
- Returnees with a GPA of 2.5-2.9 must attend 3 hours of tutoring a week.
- Returnees with a GPA of 2.49 and below will be required to attend 4 hours of tutoring a week.

**TRAVEL**
1. Be on time all the time!
2. The team will decide together what to wear on trips to our destination.

**Drinking and Social Misconduct**

1. Our primary focus is to represent ourselves, our team, and Texas Tech in a way that we can be proud of. Any misconduct that draws attention to yourself in a negative way, that has a negative impact in the above mentioned will be handled by the coaching staff and could result in dismissal from the team and a loss of scholarship.
2. Our primary mission is to develop this individual member of this team as people and athletes. If actions are consistently shown that take away from the development of myself or my team I understand that this could lead to disciplinary action. Further display of these actions could warrant dismissal from the team and my financial aid.

**Texas Tech University Athletics Red Raider Honor Code**

As a member of a Texas Tech University intercollegiate athletic team, you are a representative of your team and your university. Representing Texas Tech University as a student-athlete is a privilege that comes with responsibilities. While some of the responsibilities are outlined below, the complete Student-Athlete Code of Conduct can be found in the Student-Athlete Handbook distributed each year to every student-athlete.

1) I will abide by all federal, state and local ordinances, university regulations as well as Texas Tech Athletics, Big 12, and NCAA rules and regulations.

2) I represent Texas Tech Athletics, my team and Texas Tech University; therefore, I will conduct myself in a responsible and respectful manner at all times.

3) I will participate in the student-athlete development program and student-athlete support services as directed by my coaches and the Director of Athletics.

4) I will exhibit sportsmanship at all times and will encourage my teammates to do the same. I will make a positive contribution to my team in both attitude and behavior.

5) I will respect all student-athletes and members of the athletic department regardless of race, sex, gender, creed or sexual orientation. I will not place any student-athlete, especially freshmen, in a subordinate status or participate in any activity that could be viewed as harassment or hazing.
6) I will not put Texas Tech University, my team, or myself at risk by the irresponsible use of tobacco, alcohol, fake IDs, and/or illegal drugs, and will not engage in gambling on any athletic activity.

7) I will abide by the Texas Tech Athletics Drug Awareness and Testing Policy.

8) I will not participate in academic misconduct such as cheating on an exam or assignment, plagiarism (submitting work not my own), collusion, forging a university official’s signature, or falsifying official records.

9) I will use social media responsibly. I will not post photos, videos, or comments showing the personal use of alcohol, tobacco, and/or drugs or anything of a sexual nature. I will not use inappropriate or offensive language in comments, videos or postings. I will not comment with threats of violence or make derogatory comments regarding race and/or gender. I understand that any information placed on any social media site is a reflection of me, my team, Texas Tech Athletics and Texas Tech University.

10) I will give 100% at all times. My direct effort is a reflection on Texas Tech Athletics and the University.

I understand that the Texas Tech University Honor Code is a part of my Team Rules as well as a summary of Texas Tech Athletics Department’s Student Athlete Code of Conduct, and that it is my responsibility to read and familiarize myself with the policies found in the Student-Athlete Handbook. I understand the importance of abiding by all policies and rules, and that failure to do so could result in disciplinary actions, up to and including suspension and/or dismissal from the team and loss of any athletics grant-in-aid.

I acknowledge that I have read the above Tennis Team Rules and the Texas Tech Honor Code, and I understand that I may ask questions and seek clarification from my coaches about these Rules and Honor Code. I understand that agreement and compliance with the Rules and Honor Code is required for my participation with the Texas Tech Tennis Team. I understand the importance of abiding by all rules and policies, and that failure to do so will result in disciplinary actions, up to and including suspension and/or dismissal from the team and loss of any financial aid package.

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